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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 8, 2000

IN THE MATTER OF
THE TARIFF FILING BY

VERIZON VIRGINIA INC. AND
VERIZON SOUTH INC.

CASE NO. PUC000275

For withdrawal of intrastate
advanced services

ORDER PROVIDING NOTICE AND INVITING COMMENTS

On October 16, 2000, Verizon Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Virginia") and Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon South") filed proposed tariff revisions to withdraw all of their intrastate advanced services offerings.¹ The effective date for such withdrawal is proposed to be contemporaneous with the effective date of their affiliate,² Verizon Advanced Data-Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Data") tariffs.

¹ The intrastate advanced services tariffed offerings of Verizon Virginia are Frame Relay Service; ATM Cell Relay Service; Fiber Distributed Data Interface Network Services; and Switched Multi-Megabit Data Services.

The intrastate advanced services tariffed offerings of Verizon South are Frame Relay Service and MegaConnect Service ("SMDS"). In addition, Verizon South will withdraw numerous Special Service Arrangements which include these services, as well as Asynchronous Transfer Mode ("ATM").

² Interstate advanced services, including xDSL will also be provided by a separate affiliate. The formation of a separate affiliate to provide both interstate and intrastate advanced services is a condition required by the Federal Communications Commission in conjunction with the approval of the merger between Bell Atlantic and GTE.

Both Verizon Virginia and Verizon South provide intrastate advanced services pursuant to their respective tariffs. All of these advanced services are currently classified as discretionary pursuant to the Companies' alternative regulatory plans ("Plans").

In conjunction with this tariff withdrawal request, Verizon Virginia's and Verizon South's existing intrastate advanced services customers would be transferred to their affiliate, Verizon Data, if its competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") application is granted by this Commission.³

As support for this request for withdrawal of their intrastate advanced services offerings, Verizon Virginia and Verizon South rely upon Verizon Data's filing in Case No. PUC000181 on September 22, 2000, entitled: Memorandum In Support of the Various Applications Associated with the Establishment and Operation of Verizon Advanced Data-Virginia, Inc. ("Verizon Data Memorandum"). While the Commission notes that Verizon Data is not a party sponsoring this tariff withdrawal filing, it will, nevertheless, allow Verizon Virginia and Verizon South to adopt the Verizon Data Memorandum as their own, and the Commission now takes judicial notice of said

³ Pursuant to the Commission's Order of Notice and Hearing, issued October 3, 2000, in Case No. PUC000181, a public hearing will be convened on December 19, 2000, to consider Verizon Data's application for certification as a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC").

Verizon Data Memorandum in the Commission's file in Case No. PUC000181.

The Commission is of the opinion that this matter should be docketed and that Verizon Virginia and Verizon South should furnish notice to all affected customers of their proposed withdrawal of intrastate advanced services and of their proposal that customers of intrastate advanced services be transferred to Verizon Data upon its certification by this Commission.

Having considered the tariff withdrawal request of Verizon Virginia and Verizon South and the adopted Verizon Data Memorandum and upon taking judicial notice, on its own motion, of the applicable Plans under which such advanced services are provided, the Commission now finds that notice should be given in the manner prescribed herein below inviting public comments and/or request for hearing regarding the proposed withdrawal of these services.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUC000275.

(2) On or before November 17, 2000, Verizon Virginia and Verizon South shall notify all of its intrastate advanced services customers by U.S. Mail, first class, postage prepaid, of its proposal to withdraw all their intrastate advanced service tariff offerings, to become effective with the

certification of Verizon Data. Said direct mailed customer notice shall at a minimum include the following:

NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS THAT VERIZON VIRGINIA
INC. AND VERIZON SOUTH INC. PROPOSE TO
WITHDRAW INTRASTATE ADVANCED SERVICES
OFFERINGS
CASE NO. PUC000275

On October 16, 2000, Verizon Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Virginia") and Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon South") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission"), proposed tariff revisions to withdraw their offering of intrastate advanced services. The intrastate advanced service offerings of the Companies include Frame Relay Service, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM), and Switched Multi-Megabit Data Services (SMDS). In conjunction with this proposed withdrawal, existing intrastate advanced services customers would be transferred to an affiliate, Verizon Advanced Data-Virginia Inc. ("Verizon Data"). Verizon Data will provide these transferred customers with the same advanced services at the same prices and under the same terms and conditions that Verizon Virginia and Verizon South provide today. Verizon Data's application for certification as a competitive local exchange carrier is docketed in Case No. PUC000181 and is set for hearing on December 19, 2000. Verizon Data was formed in compliance with the Order of the Federal Communications Commission which approved the merger of Bell Atlantic and GTE (n/k/a Verizon) and which required the merged company, Verizon, to establish a separate affiliate to provide both interstate and intrastate advanced services.

Any person wishing to submit written comments about the proposed change in the provisioning of advanced services or to request a hearing on this matter should direct those comments and/or hearing request

to Joel H. Peck, Clerk, State Corporation
Commission, c/o Document Control Center,
P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and
refer to Case No. PUC000275. Such comments
and/or request for hearing shall be filed no
later than December 11, 2000.

(3) On or before November 27, 2000, Verizon South shall
file proof of service of the customer notice ordered above.